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Per your request, attached please find a copy of the Amendment filed on
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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action (the Action) mailed October 11, 2001. A "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made" can be found at page 8.

In the Title:

Please replace the title in all occurrences with the following:

--COMPOSITIONS FOR PROTECTING CIVIL INFRASTRUCTURE--

In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 23-32 without prejudice.

Please replace Claim 15 with the following:

15. (Twice Amended) A composition useful for protecting civil infrastructure, said composition consisting essentially of carbon dioxide and between about 0.1 and 20 percent of a fluoropolyether, said fluoropolyether having at least one anchoring group covalently joined thereto.

Please add the following new claims:

33. (New) The composition according to claim 15, wherein said composition consists essentially of carbon dioxide and between about 1 and 20 percent of said fluoropolyether.